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Reflections on a busy year . . .



As we approach the new year with hope and resolve, it seems like a good time to review the past year. It has been a year of changes and of "settling in." It has been a measure of where we have been and will be a guidepost for where we are going. People from different areas of the Agency have shared their reflections.

"This year we have achieved a sense of unity as a section. The training we received helped us become a team."

"It was a difficult year with budget cuts, but we've learned to be better managers....with limited resources, we've continued to provide quality education."

"We've gone through a lot of changes--good changes. We've had a

lot of support from the top on down. I'm excited and optimistic for the coming year."

"This past year is the busiest I remember. With more kids and more coming with serious offenses, we are spending a lot of time assessing crisis cases."

"I think the Agency is beginning to gel after going through so many changes. We are beginning to feel a sense of cohesiveness....Much credit goes to the Commissioner for taking the time to recognize us as individuals."

"It was nice to get a cost-of-living raise after two years."

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POPULATION STATISTICS 1982-83

Community Programs:

Referrals to intake.....10,592
Average probation caseload..... 3,197
Average aftercare caseload..... 513

Support Services:

Interstate Compact..... 517
Residential Care..... 663
Placement Services..... 590

Institutional Programs:

Admissions, R&E.....1,596
Admissions, residential campuses 804

Average daily population..... 644

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"Communication between institutional and community staff has become better and easier. We feel like we are really working together."

"One of the best things the administration has done is to keep us informed of problems or changes. Our perspective and input is considered in programmatic issues."

"We've begun to address the concern of special needs cases. We are moving in the right direction in working with the family."

"We have had a productive year, but are still faced with the problem of limited resources for status offenders. We need workable programs for the whole family."

"The availability of and cooperation with the new arbitration program in Lexington has been one of the best outcomes of the past year."

"I'm real pleased the way things are falling into place. More people are feeling the 'esprit de corps.' We have built a solid foundation and are in the process of building the house."

"It has been a year of challenges, but also one of reward."

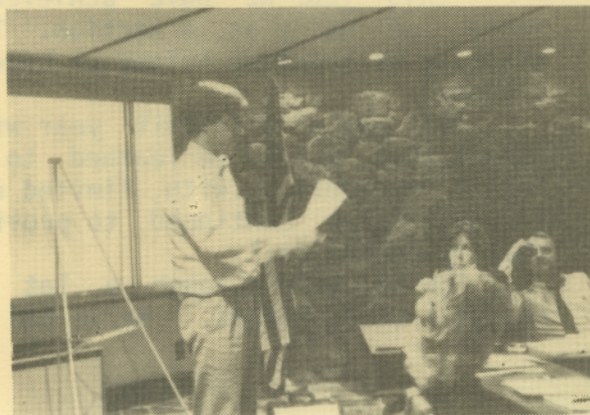
CALIFORNIA CONSULTANT CONDUCTS RESTITUTION SEMINAR

Twenty-five DYS community program staff participated in a three-day seminar on juvenile restitution at Santee State Park November 29-December 1. The seminar, co-sponsored by DYS and the Office of Criminal Justice Programs, was conducted by Calvin Remington of Ventura, California. Remington is a Board member of the National Juvenile Restitution Association, a former Restitution Project Director, and co-author of Restitution: A Guidebook for Juvenile Justice Practitioners.

According to Remington, "The keystone of restitution is accountability--a juvenile, as a result of the offense, has created an obligation to the victim and the community. It is important for the system to ensure that the juvenile offender honors that obligation." Remington incorporated organizational development theories and program management with restitution issues.

In South Carolina, monetary (up to \$500) and/or community restitution is being ordered as a condition of probation by Family Court Judges as a viable alternative to institutionalization. From January to September 1983, 1825 juveniles were ordered to pay \$109,800 and to work 61,540 hours of community service statewide.

Rhonda Barnes, DYS Project Developer, coordinated the three-day workshop. Other facilitators were Merry Hofford and Kathy Gianaris from the Charleston Restitution Program.



PROMOTIONS SINCE JUNE, 1983

Frank G. Robertson
Susan Cothorn
David Seward
James L. Leysath
Isaac McClinton

Joseph Britt

Barbara Weston
George B. Hert

Linda L. Jones
Larrie B. Butler
Diana Taylor
Richard Scott Fleming
Lynn M. Jones
Jane E. Brigman
Charlotte T. Camper
Crissandra Elliott
Willie Entzminger
Kenneth Wagner
Daylene McClain
Daniel Polk
Austin Blackmon, Jr.
Ronnie Abrahms
Jim Harrison
Gloria Stafford

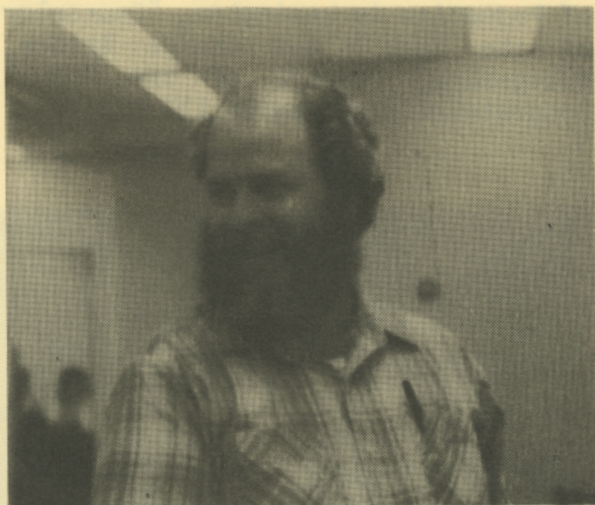
Residential Specialist
DYS Counselor II
DYS Counselor I
Public Safety Officer
Juvenile Correctional Officer,
Supervisor I
DYS Counselor I

Key Entry Operator II
Juvenile Correctional Officer,
Supervisor I
DYS Counselor II
DYS Counselor II
Regional Prevention Specialist
DYS Counselor II
DYS Counselor III
DYS Counselor II
DYS Counselor III
Classroom Teacher
Public Safety Officer
DYS Counselor I
DYS Counselor I
Classroom Teacher
Social Worker IV
DYS Counselor II
DYS Counselor II
Administrative Specialist B

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Region III - Lexington
Public Safety Division

R&E
Parole - John G.
Richards
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Region III (Orangeburg)
Region VI (Charleston)
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Jeremy James, Director of Crossroads Runaway Shelter in Charleston, has been elected President of the South Carolina Association of Community Residential Programs.

Special awards for youth programs were given to Richland County DYS staff Leigh Eggleston, Ben Taylor, and Rebecca Mace at the Neighborhood Crime Prevention Advisory Council Annual Banquet in Columbia.

Lois Elijah has been employed as a school psychologist for Birchwood High School. She comes from Orangeburg School District #4 with eight years experience as a school psychologist.

STAFF TAKES KIDS CAMPING

Andrew Scott, Recreation Coordinator, and Sherri Robinson, Residential Specialist, from the Chronic Status Offender Program recently conducted an overnight camping experience for eight DYS clients. The group camped at the National Wildlife Refuge in McBee, S.C. Ed Boyd, Program Director, hopes to make the camping trip available at least each season.



Finance section challenged Personnel to a softball game—no one would admit the final score!

Penny Carpenter and Wade Bishop, DYS Counselors in Beaufort County, along with the Beaufort County Commission on Youth, conducted "Children's Day" for the "Beaufort Water Festival." Mr. Bishop and Ms. Carpenter helped paint the faces of over 300 children as part of "Children's Day" activities.



Rick with Jim Lewis, Director of Personnel.

A farewell drop-in was held in honor of Rick Gallion, former Employee Relations Analyst with the Department of Youth Services. Rick, who has been with DYS for twelve years, has gone to Blue Cross/Blue Shield as an employee relations analyst.

REGION III AWARDS

Region III held its Regional Christmas Party at the Bates Inn in Batesburg. Mike Cavanaugh, Regional Director, presented the annual awards to the following staff. The Saluda Office received the "Staff of the Year" award; Bettye Sims, Dorchester, "Secretary of the Year;" Martha Anderson, Counselor in Charge, Lexington, "Supervisor of the Year;" Charlotte Camper, formerly of Dorchester and now Counselor in Charge of Probation in Lexington, "Counselor of the Year;" and Rhonda Greene, Orangeburg, "Rookie of the Year." Congratulations, Region III staff.



Personnel gave Rick a big send off.



Joe Benton, Lydia Brown, Leroy Blakely and Carol Miller.

YOUTH GAMES - A WINNER

Leroy Blakely, Director of St. Luke's Center in Columbia, and his staff helped coordinate and raise money so that seventy-six children could attend the Seventeenth National Youth Games in Worcester, Massachusetts. The team brought back thirty-five medals in athletic events such as tennis, bowling, swimming, field and track, and basketball. DYS staff attending the Games were Leigh Eggleston, Prevention Specialist in Region IV; Lydia Brown, Richland County Intake; Carol Miller, St. Luke's Center; Moses Hopkins, Willow Lane Campus; Leroy Blakely, St. Luke's Center; and Joe Benton, Assistant Commissioner for Community Programs.

STAFF SUPPORTS YOUTH SPEAK OUT

Approximately one hundred teenagers from Spartanburg County attended a weekend "Youth Speak Out." The Speak Out was sponsored by the Spartanburg Department of Youth Services in cooperation with the Warehouse, City Parks and Recreation, and Spartanburg Police Teen Involvement Club. Earlier this year, a "Youth Agenda for the 80's" was held in Charleston and a "Youth Forum '83" in Rock Hill.

REAL PEOPLE

Gregory Raymond Boykin, Richland County Intake Counselor, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the United States Army Reserves.

Elbony Denise Baker born to Denise J. Baker, Administrative Specialist, Region V, on September 3, wt. 8 lbs. 12 oz.

Susan Boykin, Counselor II in Chester, has been named Prevention Specialist for Charleston.

Andrew Lawson Brown born to Cathie and Skip Brown, Counselor in Charge of Probation in Aiken, September 14. Wt. 9 lbs. 5 1/2 oz.

Frank Thomas Galardi born to Tom Galardi, former Counselor in Charge in Aiken, and wife Pam, October 24, wt. 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Cole Fisher, born to Mike Fisher, Guidance Counselor at Willow Lane, August 1, wt. 7 lbs. 8 oz.

Ronald Carroll Barefoot, Jr., born to Sally Barefoot, Guidance Counselor at Birchwood, September 21, wt. 6 lbs. 10 oz.

Kelly Elizabeth Criss, born to Barbara Criss, School Psychologist at Willow Lane, October 25, wt. 6 lbs. 13 oz.

Melinda Snelling, Special Ed Teacher at Willow Lane Junior High, is leaving the Agency to go with the FBI.

Get Well to Gladys Pilgrim, Chapter I Math Teacher at Willow Lane, who is in Lexington County Hospital.



BEATTY AWARD WINNER

Lesa Timmerman, DYS Probation Counselor in Sumter County, received the Beatty Award at the Annual Fall Conference of the South Carolina Youth Workers Association in Myrtle Beach, November 3-4. The award is granted annually to a South Carolinian who works directly with youth. Judge J. McNary Spigner received the Distinguished Service Award given annually by the organization. New S.C. YWA officers for 1983-84 are President John Morris, DMH; Vice Presidents Delores Singley, DYS; Ann Weed, DYS; Dawn Catalano, DYS; Thomas Kennerly, VR; and Chuck Sullivan, Director of Carolina Children's Home.

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BOOKS, BOOKS, AND MORE BOOKS

The Department of Youth Services has received another shipment of 12,000 books from the Prison Free Book Distribution Program. The books, valued at around \$120,000, are available to all DYS clients and their families. If you are interested in obtaining books for your office, call Ann Staples, Librarian at Birchwood, 758-6422.

STOCKDALE ELECTED PRESIDENT

Eleanor "Bee" Stockdale has been elected President of the South Carolina Correctional Association for 1983-84. Other DYS staff elected to the organization's offices are Dr. Dan Lawther, Vice President, and Charlene Hale, Board of Directors. The SCCA represents nearly 4,000 people employed in State, county, and municipal corrections agencies, facilities, and programs in South Carolina. All members of SCCA are also dual members of the American Correctional Association.



Jim Harvey, outgoing President, inducts Bee Stockdale.